## IOWA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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Attention: All Employees Ref. No.: 521.1

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Subject: MM No. 34 (New Standard Specifications)

Effective with the October 2, 2001 letting, the English Standard Specifications (Series 1997) and Metric Standard Specifications (Series 1995) will be replaced by the new version of the Standard Specifications (Series 2001). The 2001 Standards Specifications will contain both English and Metric units. Plans that use the 2001 Standard Specifications should have the following note E50 (M50) updated on the title sheet:

"THE IOWA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS FOR HIGHWAY AND BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION, SERIES 2001, PLUS CURRENT SUPPLEMENTAL SPECIFICATIONS AND SPECIAL PROVISIONS SHALL APPLY TO CONSTRUCTION WORK ON THIS PROJECT."

The new standard specifications will be available in print sometime in August. You can view the specification on line. It is located at:

H:\ProjectDevelopment\Specifications\StandardSpecifications.

View the "Index of Changes" for a general overview. The effects to our current plans should be minimal. Some of the Supplemental Specifications have been incorporated into the Standard Specifications. Bias codes on some items have changed also. Section Leaders will be given the current update for distribution. You should also view the General Supplemental Specification for 2001, which is found in the same area as the Standard Specifications.

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